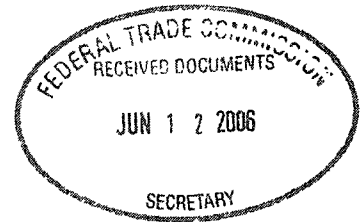


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RE: Business Opportunity Rule R511993

Dear Sir, or Madam,

I am writing this letter on behalf of several people who are unable to write in English for their serious concerns in regards with the recent proposed Business Opportunity rules R511993. **This new rules may be threatening especially those who are relying on the income from the Mannatech business in order to keep purchasing the products for maintaining their health..**

One example: 78 year lady, Oneida from Brazil who has a limited speaking English, living in low income and needs to purchase a large amount of Mannatech Supplement products monthly for her multiple health problems. My few friends and I have been helping her to build Mannatech business so that it makes possible her to purchase the product for herself. As a result, one of her serious health problem (atrophy) has tremendously improved. Her doctor said "it is miracle". Now, she was out of the nursing home and re-union with her family. Obviously, she needs to keep taking for other multiple health problems as well. This is just one example. There are many people who have similar conditions in needing some income from Mannatech Business in order to keep purchasing the products for their health.

My own experience: Because of the little income from Mannatech, I could able to help my son's serious depression problem. He was unable to function normal daily life for several years. But, now he is gradually going back to work in both as a missionary of Jehovah's Witness as well as for their living.

**Although I understand the purpose of these proposed rules, however, if this passes, without doubt, it would be too difficult for us to keep helping those who are not able to build own business in Mannatech like Oneida., or even for myself and family. I am a single mother, having two grown up sons who have been mental ill (severe depression and mild schizophrenia for several years) and unable to work.**


Yes, many of us who really need to rely on some income to keep purchasing Mannatech Product for maintaining their health. Especially low income elderly who have serious health problems.

**The reasons of difficulties to keep going Mannatech Business:**

1. Seven day waiting period to enroll new distributor.  
Usually, people once understand about the Mannatech Product which may help their health problems, they want them as soon as possible.  
This waiting period will definitely discourage people in purchasing the products.
2. Disclosing information of lawsuits involving misrepresentation.  
This will make newly interested ones confuse and unnecessary doubt in products, As a result, most likely they will not buy products regardless of the outcomes which the company was found innocent.
3. Disclosure of a minimum of 10 prior purchasers nearest to the prospective purchaser.  
Now a day, people are very much concerned of their privacy and identity thief. Not many people are willing to disclose their personal information to whom they have never known.

**As a conclusion, in this new rules, it is almost impossible for me to keep helping people who needs Mannatech Products and some income to purchase for their health. Strongly, I would like to request you to review your proposed rules due to serious consequences that may occur on us.**

Sincerely yours,

  
Hiroko Piotrowski  
Mannatech Distributor (2 years)

PS: Elderly people who are unable to build their business by themselves and yet, need to purchase Mannatech Product for their serious health problems. Somebody must help them. There are many more people, I personally know, who recognize this product, yet, can not afford to purchase.

**Please make us easy to help them.**

(All of the names below are over 70 year old Mannatech distributors and their only income is Social Security. Currently they are struggling in purchasing due to the fact that they truly believe in Mannatech products helping their health problems:

Such as: serious depression, diabetes, kidney failure, liver problem, memory Loss, high blood pressure, arthritis, heart problem & etc.)

Cc: Oneida Noguera, Ola Gale, Michie Matsunaga, Keiko Tokunaga, Mr & Mrs Mizusaki, Yoshiko Kasai